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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD FOR PROMOTING EFFICIENCY
OF GENE INTRODUCTION INTO PLANT
CELLS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT WITH REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. §1.114)

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2007, finally rejecting claims 22-29, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.